

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Requested Reports, Updates, and Discussions  
October 18, 2005

**SUBJECT:** Charter School Survey and School District Responses

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Information

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Sections 1001.03(8) and 1008.32, F.S.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In response to a discussion at the SBE meeting on May 17, 2005, the Department surveyed administrators of all charter schools operating in 2004-2005 to determine if they have had issues with their school district sponsors that they contend involve significant violations of state or federal statutes of State Board of Education rules. Surveys were returned by 253 (86%) of 295 charter school administrators.

Information will be provided on the survey findings and staff recommendations for further activities to help district sponsors ensure that charter schools operate with both the autonomy and accountability provided by Florida's charter school law.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:**

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